



**CITY OF LODI
COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

AGENDA TITLE: Adopt resolution amending the Lodi Appliance Rebate Program by adding Lowe's Companies Inc., as a qualified Lodi retailer (EUD)

MEETING DATE: October 6, 2004

PREPARED BY: Electric Utility Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council adopt a resolution amending the Lodi Appliance Rebate Program by adding Lowe's Companies Inc., as a qualified Lodi retailer.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: For the past five years, the City of Lodi, via the Public Benefits Program, has provided rebates to Lodi electric utility customers for the purchase of designated and approved energy efficient appliances (including: EnergyStar® refrigerators, EnergyStar® dishwashers, manual defrost freezers, single-room air conditioners, and front-loading/EnergyStar® clothes washers). One of the program stipulations is that the aforementioned energy efficient appliances be purchased at one of the existing six (6) Lodi appliance retailers (these include: Anderson Maytag, Ben's Appliance, FILCO of Lodi, Kundert & Bauer, Les' Appliance, and Reo's Appliance).

By way of this Council action, City of Lodi Electric Utility staff is requesting that a seventh Lodi retailer be added to this rebate program: Lowe's Companies, Incorporated. This new Lodi retailer, located at 1389 S. Lower Sacramento Road, will officially open their doors to consumers this month, and Lowe's carries a line of energy efficient home appliances (these appliances will be eligible for customer rebates under our current program guidelines).

Electric Utility staff respectfully recommends approval of this amendment to the existing Lodi Appliance Rebate Program.

FUNDING: Not applicable.

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Alan N. Vallow
Electric Utility Director

PREPARED BY: Rob Lechner, Manager of Customer Service & Programs

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cc: City Attorney

APPROVED:

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Janet S. Keeter, Interim City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-203

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE
PUBLIC BENEFITS PROGRAM GRANT – LODI APPLIANCE
REBATE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the state has mandated that beginning January 1, 1998, the City of Lodi is obligated to fund various programs through a Public Benefits Charge (PBC) based on an historical electric revenue requirement; and

WHEREAS, the requirement amounts to approximately \$1 million per year that must be dedicated to qualifying programs such as energy efficiency. A further stipulation is that these efforts must be done on the customer's side of the meter in order to qualify; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lodi's Public Benefits Program is comprised of four segments or customer groups: commercial/industrial, residential, community/non-profit, and municipal; and

WHEREAS, for the past five years, the City of Lodi via the Public Benefits Program, has provided rebates to Lodi electric utility customers for the purchase of designated and approved energy efficient appliances (including: EnergyStar® refrigerators, EnergyStar® dishwashers, manual defrost freezers, single-room air conditioners, and front-loading/EnergyStar® clothes washers); and

WHEREAS, the program requires that the aforementioned energy efficient appliances be purchased at one of the existing six Lodi appliance retailers (these include: Anderson Maytag, Ben's Appliance, FILCO of Lodi, Kundert & Bauer, Les' Appliance, and Reo's Appliance); and

WHEREAS, Electric Utility staff is requesting that a seventh Lodi retailer be added to this rebate program: Lowe's Companies, Inc. This new Lodi retailer will officially open its doors to consumers this month, and Lowe's carries a line of energy efficient home appliances, which will be eligible for customer rebates under current program guidelines.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council hereby amends the Public Benefits Program Grant for the Lodi Appliance Rebate Program as set forth below.

- 1) Eligible participants must be City of Lodi Electric Utility customers;
- 2) The program will be offered until funds are exhausted;
- 3) The maximum rebate per customer service address is \$250.00;
- 4) Rebates include \$50.00 for refrigerators, \$50.00 for manual defrost freezers, \$100.00 for front-load clothes washers, \$25.00 for single-room air conditioners, and \$25.00 for dishwashers; and
- 5) The approved, energy efficient appliance(s) must be purchased at one of the following Lodi retailers: Anderson Maytag, Ben's Appliance, FILCO of Lodi, Kundert & Bauer, Les' Appliance, Reo's Appliance, and Lowe's Companies, Inc. (of Lodi).

Dated: October 6, 2004

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2004-203 was passed and adopted by the Lodi City Council in a regular meeting held October 6, 2004, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Beckman, Hitchcock, and Howard
NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None
ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Land and Mayor Hansen
ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None


SUSAN J. BLACKSTON
City Clerk